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Dear Marianne:

Among the various enclosures is Science's response to the report on the Spetsai meeting. Coupled with Brian's similar luck with Nature, it seems as though the desired publicity will not be forthcoming. The requirement (by Science) that the report be limited to a description of the most significant results reported does not seem pertinent to what was primarily a course rather than a meeting and I'm not at all sure that we can salvage anything. In the formal instructions for meeting reports they also request that reports be submitted within two or three weeks after the meeting and I suspect that my tardiness did not help us. Do you want me to try anything else or shall I drop the matter?

The Information Exchange No. 7 has been prodded on your behalf. Let me know if things fail to improve and I shall try again.

Thank you very much for the details on the gel electrophoresis, as well as the hospitality to Claude Klee. I hope that we shall get to it within the next few months.

Another enclosure is a resume of the provisions of the International Education Act, passed by the House of Representatives and probably soon to be passed by the Senate. Although it's not completely clear, this may be a possible source of funds for future meetings. I shall try to find out more about it when it actually becomes law.

The final enclosure is a bit of trivia which I thought you might enjoy.

It was very good to hear that you are making plans for another course. I too would be very happy to do it again. It seems to me that the fact that the applicants numbered almost ten times the number of students you could take should be a strong point in your favor for next year. For most people too, a Gordon Conference type of meeting would obviously be most interesting and useful--but I wonder if a course doesn't fill a particular need which is also worthwhile.

I was somewhat disappointed at the Greek representation on the organizing committee. Although I appreciate the political realities of the scientific community in Greece, a boost for the younger people striving for some scientific independence could have been obtained by including Christine Zioudrou. Scientifically she is a good and productive investigator who in many ways is bucking the "system." From your own point of view too, she would have been an energetic and perceptive helper on the administrative side of things.

The news from here is the increasing likelihood of Leon's departure from NIH. The intricacies of the Public Health Service retirement regulations make it almost impossible for him to do anything else. He is actively considering various possibilities. I try not to think about it too much as it will be a major loss, scientifically and personally, for me.

My love to Mildred, to Armand, to the children and most especially to you.

Yours,

Maxine Singer

Enclosures

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